AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-8 have been cancelled.

Claim 9 is amended by this response.

Claim 10 is cancelled by this response.

Claims 1-8 (cancelled)

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instrument comprising at least two illuminated pointers which are located one on top of the other, each composed of a head and a pointer lug and rotatable independently of one another about a common display axis, the illuminated pointers being composed of a light-guiding material and each having a light entry face and light injected there exiting on a side of the pointer lugs facing a viewer, wherein for at least two of the illuminated pointers (4, 6) there is a common light source, and light is fed to the illuminated pointers (4, 6) via a light splitter (10), wherein a drive shaft (7) of one of the pointers serves as a light guide and a portion of the drive shaft (7) is embodied as the light splitter (10).

Claim 10 (cancelled)

11. (previously added) The display instrument as claimed in claim 10, wherein the light splitter

(10) is plugged together with a main part (8) of the drive shaft (7).

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12. (previously added) The display instrument as claimed in claim 10, wherein in the light splitter (10), one portion of the light exits in a direction of an axis of rotation and a further portion exits perpendicular thereto.

instrument as claimed in claim 12, wherein an upper of the illuminated pointers (4) has the light entry face (30) which picks up the light exiting in the axial direction, said upper illuminated pointer (4) being plugged onto the light splitter (10).

14. (previously added) The display instrument as claimed in claim 13, wherein a lower of said illuminated pointers (6) has the light entry face which picks up laterally exiting light.

instrument as claimed in claim 14, wherein a head (12) of the lower illuminated pointer (6) surrounds the light splitter (10) in an annular shape and the light entry face is embodied on an inner generated surface (32) in the head (12).

instrument as claimed in claim 9, wherein the light splitter (10) has a frustum-shaped coaxial depression (21), a generated surface (24) of frustum (23) serving as a reflection face for laterally exiting light and a base face (25) serving as an exit face for axially exiting light.

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17. (previously added) The display instrument as claimed in claim 11, wherein in the light splitter (10), one portion of the light exits in a direction of an axis of rotation and a further portion exits perpendicular thereto.

instrument as claimed in claim 17, wherein an upper of the illuminated pointers (4) has the light entry face (30) which picks up the light exiting in the axial direction, said upper illuminated pointer (4) being plugged onto the light splitter (10).

19. (previously added) The display instrument as claimed in claim 18, wherein a lower of said illuminated pointers (6) has the light entry face which picks up laterally exiting light.

20. (previously added) The display instrument as claimed in claim 19, wherein a head (12) of the lower illuminated pointer (6) surrounds the light splitter (10) in an annular shape and the light entry face is embodied on an inner generated surface (32) in the head (12).